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Care Quality Commission says Chacombe Park is failing vulnerable residents

‘Major concerns’ in care home report

A BANBURY care home is failing its vulnerable residents, a damning report has revealed.

Chacombe Park, in Banbury Road, which looks

after 77 people suffering from dementia and physical disabilities, was criticised by the Care Quality Commission (CQC) after a spot check in July found staff there were

“failing to meet six essential standards of quality and safety”.

Inspectors had “major concerns” about care plans, management of medicines and staff training after visiting Chacombe Park for a second time on July 21 after another visit earlier in the year highlighted problems at the care home.

The report said: “People in the home lacked sufficient stimulation and spent a lot of time in bed or in their bedrooms without interaction. Their dignity and privacy were not sufficiently respected.”

The inspection also uncovered problems with administering drugs at Chacombe Park.

“Arrangements were not in place for the safe recording, handling and use of medicines in the service. The service did not protect people against the risks associated with the unsafe use and management of medication,” the report said.

Inspectors found the families of those living in the home were worried about staff levels.

One relative said that “staff were very dedicated but were not a happy team” and another added that there were “not always enough staff to meet all the residents’ needs”, the report found.

The CQC said it would carry out another unannounced inspection to check on standards at Chacombe Park.

Roxy Boyce, CQC South East regional director, said:

By Laura
Jones

“Our inspectors will return to Chacombe Park very soon, and if we find that the provider is not making the required progress we won’t hesitate to use our legal powers on behalf of the people that live there.”

Chris Manthorp, of Barchester Healthcare Homes, which runs Chacombe Park, said: “Following the recent inspection at Chacombe Park care home, we are working closely with the CQC and have submitted an action plan to them which clearly outlines the steps we are taking as an organisation to ensure improvements in our service are achieved and more importantly sustained going forward.

“We have already introduced some changes within Chacombe Park which we believe will affect the delivery of care and thereby improve the quality of life for the people we care for. The impact of these changes will be monitored by the home’s management team with additional support provided by senior management.

“We would like to reassure everyone of our

commitment to those residing at Chacombe Park and to emphasise that their health and wellbeing is at the forefront of everything we do and are doing.”

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Canal cops save

drowning

woman

By Sam McGregor

TWO cops have saved a pensioner's life by plunging into a freezing canal to rescue her.

Police got a call from a boater last Monday saying that a dead body was in the canal, but they could not give an exact location.

When the call went out, PC Paul Froggatt sprinted from the town centre along the canal scouring the water for the body, while colleague Sgt Adrian Thomas ran along the bank from Waterworks Lane, Banbury.

The pair spotted the body, face up, floating in the water on the far bank partially hidden by trees, in an area behind the Citroen Garage, in Southam Road.

Sgt Thomas said: "We came across a person lying in the water who was not moving. We saw a small hand movement and called out to her."

Meanwhile, PC Froggatt, who had run a mile-and-a-half from Castle Quay Shopping Centre, was already stripping off ready to jump in almost 6ft deep water.

He said: "The water was very cold and we were thigh-high in silt."

"We managed to get her head on a [life saving] ring and got her back into a small area on the bank."



Sergeant Adrian Thomas, left, and PC Paul Froggatt near the spot where they rescued and resuscitated an elderly lady

"We put her in the recovery position and someone on a passing boat gave us a blanket."

Sgt Thomas said: "She was very cold, very frightened and we got very little out of her."

"She managed to say she had tripped over and fallen in. She was very distressed, clearly shock had set in."

"She was quite old and frail and I was not sure how well she was coping."

The 72-year-old woman, from Farthinghoe, near Banbury, was kept in hospital overnight for observations, but was recovering well.

Both officers are now likely to be recommended for a commendation, but the pair brushed it off as simply all in a day's work.

Sgt Thomas said: "I don't think what we did was particularly heroic. Any of our colleagues would have done the same."

"We just appreciated it was a very dangerous situation for her."

"We knew the longer she was left in the water the more the risk, and we needed to get her out."

"I called to her and got no response — we knew we had to get her out."

Deputy Area Commander Inspector Neville Clayton said: "I think they went above and beyond the call of duty."

"The canal in Banbury is not a nice place to be."

"It's dirty, muddy and there are potential hazards under water."

"They both jumped into the canal and hauled her out with no concern for their own health and safety."

"She would have died if they hadn't jumped in there. she had been in there some time."

"I think what they did was commendable. Their good work will be recognised."

News in brief

A 27-YEAR-old man who wielded a knife in his girlfriend's mother's house has been sentenced. Martin Potter, of Lamb's Crescent, Banbury, appeared at Oxford Crown Court, after earlier being convicted of affray.

He has already served 206 days remanded in custody, almost equivalent to a 14-month jail term, and was released with two years' supervision.

The offence took place on February 9.

LIBRARY campaigners in Deddington have described county council proposals to rely on volunteers for two thirds of staffing as "simply not viable".

Book a Future for Deddington Library has urged people to take part in the council's consultation, which ends on September 30.

The group estimated up to 40 volunteers would be needed to keep it open, and have said that instead there should be a 50-50 split between salaried staff and volunteers at Deddington and nearby Adderbury library.

DEDDINGTON'S monthly farmers' market will celebrate its tenth anniversary on Saturday, September 24. Sixty

stalls now offer local produce and crafts in the village market place, and the day will be marked with performances from Washboard Bill's Jug Stompers, morris dancers, a Punch and Judy show, and displays of owls and dray horses.

The market was founded in September 2001, bringing the first market back to the village since 1830, and attracts 3,000 people each month.

A WHITE Ford Transit van crashed into the barrier on the central reservation of the M40 last Thursday morning, causing long delays.

The collision took place between Junction 11 for Banbury and Junction 10 for Ardley on the southbound carriageway at 6.28am. It caused two lanes to be closed.

The crash caused the barrier to come away and a blue Ford Transit and a red Volkswagen Passat then crashed into the wreckage.

One person was treated on the scene and the driver of the white Ford Transit was taken to the Horton Hospital with non-life threatening injuries.

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Four people rescued from crashed car

Praise for 'good Samaritans'

By Sam Mcgregor

FOUR people were rescued from their crashed car by passing motorists.

A fire officer has praised the 'good Samaritans' who helped

the injured people from the wreckage of the black Vauxhall Corsa, which landed on its roof after it crashed into a field along the B4100 Warwick Road near Hanwell.

They also gave first aid after the crash on Sunday at 4.26pm.

Station manager Marcus Reay said: "I would like to thank the

good Samaritans who stopped to help.

"They undoubtedly contributed to saving one of the casualties whose injuries were quite severe, whilst also helping the others, until the emergency services arrived.

"Had the driver and his passengers not been wearing seatbelts, they

would have been thrown from the vehicle and the result of this incident could have easily have been several fatalities."

All four people were taken to hospital.

One male suffered serious head injuries while a female had a back injury.

The condition of the other two was not known.

Horton service expansion | Sentenced for ABH

THE Oxford Radcliffe Hospitals NHS Trust is expanding gynaecology services at the Horton General Hospital to provide more day surgery and diagnostic services during the week.

But the move will mean the loss of six of the 12 beds currently at the unit, as fewer women are expected to stay overnight.

The trust said there would be 'some changes in staffing arrangements', although it was not intending to lose staff.

A spokesman said some staff might be asked or choose to transfer to the Women's Centre in Oxford or to apply for opportunities in other specialties at the Horton or elsewhere in the Trust.

A MAN who beat up his wife has been sentenced.

Graham Mates, of Keates Road, Banbury, appeared at Oxford Crown Court last week, having earlier admitted causing actual bodily harm to Karen Mates on August 5.

Mates, 42, was given an 18-month supervision order with a domestic-violence programme and six-month alcohol-rehabilitation requirement.

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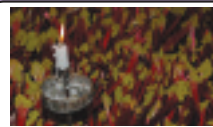


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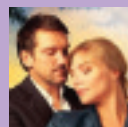
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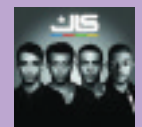


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Seventh annual competition draws dozens

Town criers shout the odds

By Sam
Mcgregor

BANBURY'S streets were alive with music and cries of oyez, oyez as the seventh annual town crier competition got under way.

Twenty-four town criers from across the country, and one from Belgium, took part in the contest in High Street, Banbury.

Taking place in two rounds last week, each town crier had to perform two pieces of between 75 and 125 words each.

Each piece had to include four 'oyez' and a God Save the Queen.

Town criers met at the Whately Hall Hotel, in Horsefair, where they were blessed by the vicar of St Mary's Church, and were also given a message by both the Queen and Banbury MP Tony Baldry.

Afterwards they paraded to the bandstand before visiting each business that sponsored the event to give a

'bells up', a tradition whereby town criers ring their bells outside the shop or business.

Organiser, Banbury Town Crier Anthony Church, who lives in Oxford, said: "The competition started with 13 criers in 2004 and has grown ever since.

"We had some really good criers this year, they were all pretty creative.

"It went very, very well, it was a wonderful day."

There are four judges for the competition who look at diction, accuracy, confidence and volume and clarity. The overall winner was Brenda Willison, town crier for Bakewell, in Derbyshire.



Town Criers travelled the length and breadth of the country (plus one from Belgium), to compete in the town's annual competition. Banbury Town Crier, Anthony Church BEM, is at the front right

Cocaine sentence

A 24-YEAR-old man has been sentenced for possessing cocaine. James Clark, of Highclere Gardens, Banbury, was found with 49g of the drug on March 31. He was sentenced at Oxford Crown Court on Friday, having admitted possession of a Class A drug. Clark was told to do 100 hours' unpaid work with 12 months' supervision and ordered to complete a six-month drug-rehabilitation course.

News in brief

POLICE want to speak to this man after two four-packs of Stella Artois were stolen from the Co-Operative Store in Middleton Road. The crime happened at about 7.40pm on Monday, August 8.

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Four people died in helicopter piloted by former rally champion

Inquiry: McRae was 'imprudent'



Colin McRae

By Tim Hobden

FORMER world rally champion Colin McRae engaged in 'unnecessary and unsafe' low-level flying before an avoidable helicopter crash which killed him, two children and another man, a sheriff has ruled.

A fatal accident inquiry (FAI) last week found McRae had been 'imprudent' in embarking on demanding manoeuvres in difficult terrain, 'contrary to the principles of good airmanship'.

Mr McRae drove for the Prodrive-run Subaru rally team, based in Banbury, from 1991 to 1998, winning the World Rally Championship in 1995 and becoming Britain's first World Rally champion.

Sheriff Nikola Stewart, who ruled the fatal crash could have been avoided, confirmed the sportsman did not hold a valid flying licence and should not have been flying the aircraft at the time.

McRae, 39, his five-year-old son Johnny, the boy's six-year-old friend Ben Porcelli and Graeme Duncan, 36, all died when the aircraft came down

near McRae's Jerviswood House home in Lanark on September 15, 2007, as he flew home from a trip to see a friend.

The Eurocopter Squirrel helicopter crashed into trees in steep ground on the south bank of the Mouse Valley water before bursting into flames.

Ben's parents had no knowledge that their son was on the flight and had not been asked for their consent.

The inquiry, which sat over 16 days this year at Lanark Sheriff Court, concluded the deaths could have been avoided if McRae had not engaged in unsafe low-level flying.

"It would have been a reasonable precaution to refrain from flying helicopter G-CBHL into Mouse Valley wherein the pilot engaged in low-level flying when it was unnecessary and unsafe for him to do so, and whilst carrying passengers on board," she stated.

The sheriff found there was 'no operational or logistical reason' for McRae to have descended into the valley at speed.

"It is difficult to avoid the conclusion that his intention was to conclude the flight as he had started it, with a spectacular and dramatic fly-past of the valley and its vegetation, followed

by a steep climb out prior to coming into land, all for the benefit of his passengers," she said.

In her written determination, the sheriff concluded: "The deaths and the accident resulting in the deaths might have been avoided had Mr McRae not flown his helicopter into the Mouse Valley."

"Such a precaution would have been entirely reasonable."

"There was no necessity to enter the Mouse Valley. There were no operational or logistical reasons to enter the Mouse Valley."

"Mr McRae chose to fly the helicopter into the valley."

"For a private pilot such as Mr McRae, lacking the necessary training, experience or requirement to do so, embarking upon such demanding, low-level flying in such difficult terrain, was imprudent, unreasonable and contrary to the principles of good airmanship."

● The official purpose of an FAI, held under the 1976 Fatal Accidents and Sudden Deaths Inquiry (Scotland) Act, is not to apportion blame for any death in either the civil or criminal sense. It is said to be a 'fact-finding exercise carried out in the public interest'.

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By Sam McGregor

THESE are the faces of two men suspected of being involved in copycat riots in Banbury.

A group of 31 people congregated in Market Place on Tuesday, August 9, and a wheelie bin was thrown through a shop window.

The store, Oxfordshire Furniture, was vacant at the time, but also has a entrance leading into

Castle Quay shopping centre.

So far eight people have been arrested and a further nine have been identified and face arrest, according to police.

Detective Inspector Steve Duffy said: "I'm very anxious to identify these two men because they are central to this disturbance."

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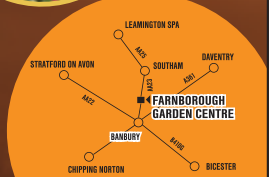
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For three days we've closed the stores so that 20,000 product lines can be been marked down ready for our end of season sell-off plus we've further reduced every single item in both stores, all for this one event.'

ECONOMIC DOWNTURN OR SMART BUSINESS MOVE?

As we continue to hear reports about tough retailing conditions on the high street, we asked Robert Lee if it was a slump in business that had resulted in the decision to cut prices so dramatically?

Robert Lee responded by saying 'I don't believe any

business can state that they have not been affected by the economic downturn, but what is working is our focus on finding new ways to bring our customers the best offers. This event is just one of our approaches so that we move our end of season stock to make way for new lines coming in.'

He continued 'Our business has been established for over 100 years, and throughout this period we have created a strong following in the Midlands.

We believe that the key to our success has been down to the fact that we recognise that our customers want to buy good quality products for their homes provided they represent good value for money, and at that's something we always strive to deliver.

The timing of our end of season sell-off event is due to the fact that our new Winter collection is arriving, and quite simply we no longer have the space to

continue to store last season's collection as well. As a result we have no alternative but to mark-down last season's stock creating a fantastic opportunity for bargain hunters to purchase our stunning designer collections at unrepeatable prices. It really is an opportunity not to be missed.'

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As the potential savings are so incredible it is expected that there will be long queues waiting in anticipation of the doors at the Abingdon stores being opened at 10am Saturday morning.

Robert said 'My advice would be to get there as early as possible in order to get the best choice and the best prices. There are over 20,000 product lines ready to be sold so turnover of stock will be rapid – and it really has to be a first come, first served situation if we are going to clear this stock.

All clearance items will be available straightaway for collection or via an arranged delivery, and we have extra staff on hand to help this process. We also guarantee every item ordered this weekend from our Winter collection will be delivered to your home in time for Christmas. It really is a win, win situation for everyone looking for new furniture.'

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Tierra Lamp	~~£285~~	£8
Picture 'Strolling on the Beach'	~~£175~~	£12
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Hastings 2 Seater Manual Recliner Sofa	~~£669~~	£181
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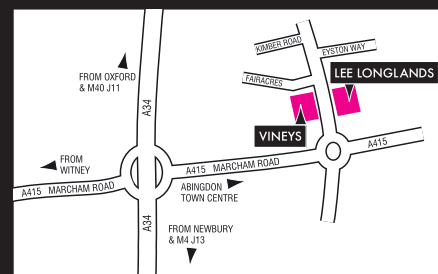
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Youth hub opens doors

By Sam McGregor

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The single storey building includes an indoor performance hall with room for 200 seats, music rooms and recording studios, pottery kiln, an art room, a fitness suite, a workshop and cafe area.

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It has been selected as one of seven hubs for the Early Intervention Service across Oxfordshire, which will also provide youth sessions, services for youngsters not in education employment or training (NEETs), careers advice and services relating to substance misuse, antisocial behaviour and absences from school.

Other hubs will be at Bicester, Witney, Didcot and Abingdon with two in Oxford. There are also six satellite centres feeding in to the hubs at Blackbird Leys, Rose Hill, Barton, Riverside, Berinsfield and Kidlington.

They replace the county's youth centre network, and a number of former council centres will now be run by volunteers

Banbury town and district councillor Kieron Mallon, who is also Oxfordshire County Council's cabinet member for North Oxfordshire, said: "There are plenty of people who want to



Team leader Helen Kilby, centre, in the recording studio with team leaders Liane Low, left, and Diane Long. Inset, front, left to right, are county councillors Alyas Ahmed, Keith Strangwood and Kieron Mallon with Pete McDonald, contracts manager for building firm Stepnell

say negative things about the future of services for young people in Oxfordshire. None of them will have drawn attention to this superb new facility.

"This facility has been long in the planning and it is a delight to see it ready to start providing services for the young people of Banbury.

"It's an all-singing, all-dancing facility and an amazing opportunity for Banbury to be leading the way in provision for all sorts of facilities for young people."

The new building is eco-friendly, using low-carbon design technologies, solar panels and low-energy fittings to keep

running costs down. About 50 young people from the town took part in a consultation for the building design and what activities will be run at the new centre.

Louise Chapman, Oxfordshire County Council's cabinet member for children, young people and families, said: "This will be a fabulous facility for Banbury. It is living proof of the county council's continued support for services for young people and I look forward to the people of the town feeling the benefits.

"I am sure it will become a real focal point for young people in the town."

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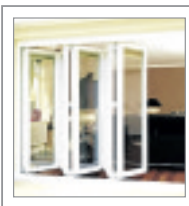
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Tour de force performances

TINKER, TAILOR, SOLDIER, SPY (15) Thriller. Gary Oldman, John Hurt, Colin Firth, Toby Jones, David Dencik, Ciaran Hinds, Benedict Cumberbatch, Mark Strong, Tom Hardy, Kathy Burke. Director: Tomas Alfredson. A NEW adaptation of *Tinker, Tailor, Soldier, Spy* was always going to raise the hackles of John le Carre purists, who adored the 1979 mini-series starring Sir Alec Guinness as taciturn spy, George Smiley.

Tomas Alfredson's film could never compete on an equal footing with its BAFTA award-winning predecessor.

You can't achieve the same depth of character and plot development in two hours as you can in seven TV episodes.

While scriptwriters Bridget O'Connor and Peter Straughan have truncated le Carre's novel, they retain the choking air of suspense that has us holding our breaths until the stunning final frame.

Alfredson demonstrates the same virtuosity behind the camera as he did in the 2008 vampire story *Let The Right One In*. He frames every shot with precision, overhearing conversations in darkened hallways or through walls as if we are the spies, gathering evidence about the characters' wrong-doings.

Control (John Hurt), the chief of a 1970s British Secret Intelligence Service unit known as the Circus, learns that Russian counterpart Karla has placed a mole within the ranks.

To unmask the traitor, Control despatches Jim Prideaux (Mark Strong) to Hungary but the agent is shot dead.

So Control turns to trusted protegee Smiley (Gary Oldman), and shares intelligence about a possible double agent within the Service.

Soon after, Control takes his own life, leaving Smiley to uncover the intrigues of the other Circus members: Percy Alleline (Toby

Jones), Roy Bland (Ciaran Hinds), Toby Esterhase (David Dencik) and Bill Haydon (Colin Firth).

Aided by the young, ambitious Peter Guillam (Benedict Cumberbatch), Smiley searches for clues, leading to Circus researcher Connie Sachs (Kathy Burke) and missing operative Ricki Tarr (Tom Hardy).

Tinker Tailor Soldier Spy is intelligent filmmaking of the highest calibre, distinguished by tour de force performances from the predominantly British cast.

Oldman doesn't utter a word for what seems like an eternity but he commands every frame and will be a frontrunner for the Best Actor Oscar.

Cumberbatch is a worthy foil, not least in a heart-breaking scene when Peter makes the ultimate sacrifice, having been instructed: "If there's anything you need tidied up, now's the time."

Jones, Hinds, Firth et al are excellent in support and Burke scene-steals with aplomb,



David Denick (Toby Esterhase) and Gary Oldman (George Smiley)

delivering the best line of the film.

Alfredson's directorial brio ensures that while our nerves are wracked, our eyes are dazzled with visually arresting scenes including the ascent of a stack of top-secret files in a dumb waiter.

Pacing is deliberately slow and some may lose patience.

That would be a pity because the knot of tension slowly tightens until we, like Smiley, are desperate to lure the double agent into the open.

Library plans are insufficient and lack substance

OXFORD Civic Society has said Oxfordshire County Council's proposals for its library service are "insufficiently wide-ranging" and lack substance.

The group, which last year opposed the council's plans to close 20 out of 43 county library branches, said that the new plans formed a "reasonable basis" to reform the service, but said there was no evidence to show they would save enough money.

In a letter to the council, society chairman Peter Thompson said: "The consultation paper... largely constitutes a catalogue of good intentions, of which we are fully supportive.

"However, we consider the proposals to be insufficiently wide-ranging in reviewing opportunities for the library service, and developing a genuinely imaginative and contemporary service, appreciated by all.

"The lack of substance and detail to the proposals, and the apparent continuing narrowness of vision are not only disappointing, but limit the value of the current consultation."

Under the council plans, all 43 of the county's libraries would remain open, but many would rely on volunteers to help staff them.

The councillor responsible for libraries, Judith Heathcoat, said: "The consultation into our carefully thought through proposal - to keep all 43 libraries open in Oxfordshire - is ongoing and all responses and all views gathered during this process will be analysed and considered before any final decision is made."

The consultation closes on September 30.

Banbury in Bloom

KEEN gardeners from across Banbury have been rewarded for their work.

The results of the Banbury in Bloom competition were presented last week at a special ceremony in Banbury Town Hall, Bridge Street.

Residents and businesses had entered their floral displays, gardens and extremely tall sunflowers in a host of categories across the competition.

These included best kept allotment, best kept communal area, business premises, back and front gardens, hanging basket, and for youngsters, a poster contest.

Chairman of Banbury in Bloom Nicolas Harrison said: "I was fortunate to have been able to judge some of the wonderful displays. The competition flourished once again.

"Entries were a credit to the public of Banbury.

"Whilst judging I noticed many displays that would have also been worthy of entering, so perhaps in 2012 we will see even more entries coming in.

"This competition celebrates the good in the town through dedication and hard work from many local residents and businesses.

"Congratulations to all who participated, keep up the good work."

Ann Sewell, events and projects officer, added: "Full credit must go to all who entered.

"Congratulations to the children who produced some wonderful colouring posters and to the sunflower growers who once again achieved some tremendous heights."

Winners included Spencer Court for Best Kept Communal Area, and Best Kept Business Premises was Little Siam Trust.

Carve a niche

SIBFORD School are to host a stone carving weekend between September 23 and 26. The course, led by Oxford stone carver Bernard Johnson, will allow participants to create their own deep relief sculpture in limestone. For more details or to book a place phone 01295 781216.

Folk fun

TICKETS have gone on sale for this year's Banbury Folk Festival (October 7-9). The price for a three-day ticket has been reduced to £50 and day tickets have also been reduced.

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AFFECTION CONNECTION Active, outgoing female, 26, GSOH, enjoys keeping fit, cinema, socialising, cosy nights in, seeking an honest, caring male, not afraid to show affection, for dates and possibly more. Oxford Box **111545** £

HOPEFULLY YOURS Voluptuous female, 31, short hair, seeking a nice, good looking, fun guy, 24-57 for laughter and romance. Swindon. Box **104678** £

HAPPY GO LUCKY 38yr old lady, 5ft1, size 14. I have 2 sons and would like to meet a happy, laid back guy who likes kids. Devizes. Box **467878** £

GO WILD Oxford based mum, 38, 5ft6, blue eyes, short brunette hair, medium build, divorced, works hard, independent, loves socialising, seeks male to enjoy simple life with. Box **468548** £

SHARE COMPANY Bubbly, hard-working female, 40, single mum, short brown hair & brown eyes, like cinema, eating out, reading & the odd nights out. Chippenham/Wiltshire Box **111845** £

LOVE TO TALK Dark-eyed Wiltshire girl, 42, 5'2", enjoys nights out, movies and more, searching for an independent gent, to cosy times and conversation. Box **113059** £

TREAT YOURSELF Lovely, confident, Swindon lady, 43, enjoys cinema, theatre, music/live bands, singing, animals, long walks, looking for a lover, best friend & soul mate. Box **113668** £

NOTHING MORE TO ASK FOR 43yr old short haired lady, medium build, Wallingford based, loves family life, animals, keeping fit, gardening, cooking, driving, seeks honest, caring man for tlc. Box **107602** £

FOR STARTERS... Loving, caring Oxford mum, 43, genuine, active, attractive, enjoys theatre, cinema, walks and nights in, seeking a similar family man, honest, funny and kind for sharing good times with. Box **114046** £

SOUND GOOD? Fun, curvy female, 42, brunette, green eyes, looking for genuine, loving guy. I am caring person with gsoh. Likes dining in and out animals. Box **852093** £

CHAT'S ENTERTAINMENT Nice, chatty female, 45, enjoys playing/watching sports, country pubs, walks, travel, seeks understanding man, for good times and more. Swindon Box **100374** £

SMOOTH MOVE Slim, blue-eyed Trowbridge female, 47, 5'2", GSOH, easy to get on with, enjoys nights out, walks and more, searching for an honest, active, interesting man. Box **109958** £

OUR MOMENT Lovely, hardworking, petite woman, 47, likes socialising, city pubs, eating out, seeks similar guy, for fun, laughter & hopefully more. Oxford. Box **102616** £

LOTS OF FUN Blonde, cuddly female, 48, 5ft, pastry chef, with children, searching for a youthful chap, to share life with. Box **113078** £

SHARING THE GOOD TIMES Cheerful female, 48, blonde, hazel eyes, medium build, live & work in Swindon, enjoys travelling, dining in & out, wlm spontaneous guy, for good times. Box **101568** £

NEW DIRECTION Swindon girl, 48, 5'5", med build, blonde, enjoys travel, skiing, town life and socialising, searching for an equally interesting man. Box **108306** £

MORE THAN WORDS Blonde, brown-eyed Swindon girl, 48, 5', cuddly, shy, quiet and demure, with a GSOH, looking for an honest man. Box **110968** £

LET'S GO AWAY TOGETHER Divorced, outgoing, friendly woman, 49, likes cinema, pubs, nights in, seeks similar chap, for friendship leading to more. Chippenham/Wiltshire. Box **112320** £

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INTO THE SUNSET Sociable, friendly Swindon female, 52, likes social drinks, socialising, meeting new people, would like to meet a nice man, to share these good times with. Box **113872** £

LET'S GET TO KNOW EACH OTHER Devizes lady seeks friendship with males or females for fun, laughter and good company. I'm 53yrs young and interested in animals, the arts and people in general. Box **114303** £

I'LL TREAT YOU RIGHT Separated female, 53, gsoh, likes going out, socialising, music, seeks friendly male, 38-48 for good times and more. Swindon. Box **104377** £

ANIMAL LOVER Looking for TLC, I'm a 52yr old lady, 5ft5, medium build, I like animals, pubs, gardening, WLM honest, down-to-earth, like-minded gent, 50-59, for happiness. Devizes. Box **465391** £

SHALL WE DANCE? Blonde, blue-eyed Swindon girl, 54, friendly nature, well-travelled and loyal, love of life, searching for an active, educated man, who appreciates, food, wine and life in general. Box **110895** £

THAT SPECIAL PERSON Honest, bubbly female, 54, kind, loving, seeks tall male, for romance, companionship & lots more. Bicester. Box **110670** £

JUST THE TWO OF US Separated, slim, smart, attractive lady, mid-50s, young at heart, likes meals out, dogs, seeking a friend/soulmate to go ahead with me in life. Marlborough. Box **463351** £

LOOKING TO START AGAIN Non smoking petite lady, 55, seeking non-smoking man who's not overweight, and likes pubs, restaurants and quiet drives. Wantage. Box **465651** £

COUNTRY LADY Sporty lady, 58, widowed with grown up family. Enjoys walking her 2 dogs and playing bowls for a local team. Seeks similar gent for friendship and romance. Box **100171** £

COULD IT BE YOU? Loyal female, young 57, 5'6", brunette, glasses, easy-going, sociable, likes darts, gardening, music, looking for a man 50-59 for friendship and romance. Trowbridge Box **464290** £

ENDLESS LOVE Young 57 from Wiltshire, divorced brunette, n/s, works part time, play darts, love gardening, reading, walking, looking for a gent 49-58, to share life with. Box **454148** £

HAND IN HAND Widow lady, 59, works part-time, enjoys socialising, meeting new people, country walks, holidays, seeks placid gent to enjoy laughter and more. Witney Box **100300** £

A TRUE FRIEND Separated, easy-going female, 59, likes cooking, evenings in/out, seeks friendly male, to enjoy life with. Witney. Box **100451** £

NICE COMPANY Attractive female, 59, 5'6", size 12, no ties, N/S, enjoys socialising, travelling, seeks smart guy with no ties, to enjoy life with. Bicester. Box **100589** £

ENJOY LIFE Retired, attractive, slim Oxfordshire lady, 60, searching for a gent, 55-60, to share happy times, friendship and maybe more. Box **113207** £

GENUINE AND CARING Widow, 50s, 5ft6, slender build. I'm social, caring and well travelled, and WLM genuine, professional guy, a non-smoker, for friendship, maybe LTR. Bicester area. Box **466487** £

OUTGOING & ENTHUSIASTIC? Oxfordshire widow, 58, slender, 5ft6, dark hair, sociable and caring, well travelled, attractive, seeking guy who's caring, professional and considerate. Box **467516** £

STRICTLY BALLROOM Dance-loving lady, 60, 5'6", searching for a man, 5'10"-4", N/S, who can jive, for friendship and ballroom dancing. Box **111203** £

FUN TO BE WITH Attractive lady, 52", 58, very social and enjoys nights out and in, weekends away looking for a man with a gsoh who is fun. Box **458867** £

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SOCIABLE SORT I'm looking for a sociable man with an active lifestyle for a LTR. I'm 59, tall and blonde, I like walks, cars and gardening. Swindon Box **452750** £

CHATS OVER A PINT? Country woman looking to meet a loving, dark haired, slim man. I'm 62yrs old, 5'7", slim and fit, love being outdoors, walking and gardening. Marlborough/Wiltshire Box **112241** £

EACH DAY IS A NEW ONE Widow lady, 64, brown hair, blue/grey eyes, likes walking, reading, watching films, family life, gardening, seeks nice gent, for ltr. Witney Box **105525** £

FINALLY YOU'VE FOUND ME Divorced, recently retired lady, 64, N/S, likes walking, reading, cinema, action movies, 60s music, seeks simple gent, to enjoy good times. Oxford. Box **101791** £

ONE PIECE MISSING Young, attractive 64yr old Witney lady, N/S, likes travelling, cooking, playing bowls, seeks tall gentleman up to 66, for a long term relationship. Box **113881** £

NEW IN TOWN Easygoing, slim woman, 65, 5'6", blonde, likes jazz, live shows, reading and walks, seeks down-to-earth male, for genuine friendship and more. Box **100721** £

SEE YOU SMILE Slim, attractive Witney female, 66, 5'6", dark hair/hazel eyes, creative and interesting, searching for an active, arty, music-loving man, to share a few smiles and creative moments. Box **110882** £

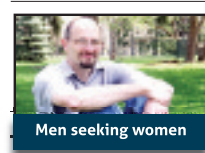
DOWN TO EARTH Happy-go-lucky female, young 67, slim/medium build, love walking, cooking, gardening, kisses and cuddles, looking for a non-smoking, clean-shaven man, 59-65, for a relationship. Swindon Box **454288** £

LOOKING TO START AGAIN Mature lady, non-smoker, 5ft4, cuddly build (size 20), WLM nice, caring, decent man for friendship at first. I like cats and enjoy history and gardening. Swindon. Box **466370** £

GREAT COMPANIONS Widow lady, 72, likes animals, music, theatre, wlm easygoing gent, 60-70 for companionship maybe more. Box **104917** £

MY SIMPLE WISH Sincere female, 77, from Faringdon, likes gardening, walking, cinema, holidays, cooking, wlm gent 68-70. Box **109439** £

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Men seeking women

RECIPE FOR ROMANCE Romantic, loving Carterton male, 52, brown eyes, likes football, cinema, walking, holidays, seeks similar female, for a long term relationship. Box **113760** £

WE COULD BE GOOD TOGETHER Down to earth male, 36, enjoys cycling, walking, travelling, seeks laid back female, for good times and more. Swindon. Box **100773** £

SHARE MY WORLD Cheerful, bubbly Abingdon man, 39, short blond hair, blue eyes, well travelled single dad, likes sports, chatting, family life, heavy metal music, looking for a loving woman for romance. Box **114202** £

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SOMEONE TO CLICK WITH Honest, genuine N/S guy, 42, 6'1", medium build, no ties, lives in Swindon, likes theatre, bowling, meals out, seeks single female, for ltr. Box **107035** £

MOVE FORWARD TOGETHER Honest, Oxford male, 43, 6'2", dark hair, own business, likes playing golf, holidays, looking for mature lady 45-60, to enjoy life together. Box **113541** £

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GIVE LOVE A TRY Hardworking male, 49, 5'7", brown hair, own flat, likes socialising, cooking, nights in, seeks nice, young lady for friendship leading to more. Oxford Box **100302** £

MORE IN TIME Friendly male, 50, 5'5", blue eyes, works with horses, seeking a loving female, 40-60 to settle down with. Box **104741** £

LOTS OF AFFECTION Divorced, caring, trustworthy male, 51, loves the country life, pubs, history, DIY, motor sports, wlm sincere woman, to settle down with. Wallingford. Box **102120** £

JUST GOOD FRIENDS Divorced male, 52, writer & song writer, looking for friendship, day trips out & life in general. Faringdon/Berkshire Box **112004** £

IN IT FOR THE LONG RUN Genuine bloke, 54, from Didcot, happy go lucky person, looking for a young at heart lady to enjoy life with. Box **111665** £

I BELIEVE IN LOVE Blue-eyed gent, 53, rather good-looking, 5ft8, enjoy socialising, sport, allotment, cinema, country walks and cooking, looking for a like-minded woman for love. Witney Box **465128** £

A FUTURE FILLED WITH LAUGHTER Divorced, young to heart male, 54, own house in Oxford, likes cinema, theatre, clubs, seeks caring female, for happy times and more. Box **107632** £

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JUST SEEKING FRIENDS Warm, caring Oxford male, 55, short hair, no ties, own car, likes fishing, countryside, keeping fit, seeks friendly female, for companionship. Box **113976** £

HOPEFULLY ROMANCE Divorced Oxford male, 56, 6', medium build, own house, likes sports, cinema and more, looking for a similar lady, to share these good times with. Box **113926** £

HONEST & TRUTHFUL Honest, loving Oxfordshire man, 56, N/S, GSOH, enjoys motorcycles, travel, good food/wine and photography, looking for a kind, warm-hearted, affectionate woman, for long term relationship. Box **112628** £

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PASSION FLOWER Young looking 58yr old, 5'9", dark hair, wears glasses, enjoys cinema, bowling, days out, socialising, seeks loving, loyal female, for LTR. Wallingford. Box **101122** £

ON THE CARDS Creative, professional male, 58, 5'11", likes gardening, cooking, painting and France, searching for a N/S woman, for friendship and log-term love. Witney/Oxon. Box **102553** £

CONFIDENTLY YOURS Widowed chap, 59, 5'10", own house/business, Witney based, enjoys music, country walks, pubs, fishing, gardening, seeks outgoing female, to enjoy life again. Box **107964** £

START SOMETHING SPECIAL Active male, 60, 5'7", blue eyes, gsoh, likes cinema, theatre, days out, country pubs, meals out, seeks similar female, 54-59 for company & more. Northampton. Box **104253** £

STABLE RELATIONSHIP SOUGHT Easygoing, non-smoking, divorced Abingdon man, 60, 5'10", average build, would to meet a nice lady, to share good times together. Box **114301** £

GETTING TO KNOW YOU Genuine male, 50s, seeks chatty female friend to share days out, meals out & cinema. Abingdon. Box **823507** £

MORE IN TIME Self-employed Witney male, 63, loves cinema, theatre, eating out and more, searching for a serious-minded lady, for a loving and supportive relationship. Box **109413** £

MAGIC MOMENTS Widowed gent, 66, likes good food & wine, cooking, sports, animals, cars, wlm country lady, for a lasting relationship. Aylesbury. Box **102331** £

OPEN YOUR HEART Cheerful male, 68, 5'6", slim build, gsoh, likes sports, walks, animals, seeks decent lady, 55-70 to settle down with. Banbury. Box **104901** £

SOUL TO SOUL Divorced, active male, 76, looks younger, 5'6", enjoys pubs meals, car boot sales, crossword, wlm charming female, to share quality times. Oxford. Box **100937** £

MY SIMPLE WISH Retired farmer, 83, widower, likes country walks, painting, antique fairs, wlm warm, affectionate, slender lady, 70-75 for a permanent relationship. Banbury. Box **105516** £



Women seeking women

ARE YOU THE ONE Easygoing Christian female, 40, 5'6", brunette living in Devizes, thoughtful, caring, affectionate & young at heart, wlm like minded lady, for friendship/committed relationship. Box **107470** £

HOPE THIS WORKS Cuddly Swindon lady, 46, easygoing and fun to be with, looking for friendship leading to more with a nice, friendly, bubbly woman. Box **851817** £

THAT'S THE SPIRIT Green-eyed girl, young 52, 5'7", seeks a loving lady, 45-55 ish, looks and status not important, to share honesty and sense of adventure. Box **101750** £

SWEET TALK Country loving female, 67, enjoys riding, dog walks and, girthie chats, hoping to meet a like-minded lady with the same interests, for friendship. Wantage/Oxfordshire Box **112054** £

KEEP AN OPEN MIND Retired lady, 67, from Swindon, wishing to meet female friends for days out. Box **110140** £



Men seeking men

TWO OF A KIND Honest male, 39, 6', average build, seeks good looking man, 40-50 for fun, company & more. Oxford Box **102391** £

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RESCUE ME Friendly Oxford guy, 45, 6ft, 13st, loves the outdoors, cycling and fishing, keeps fit, seeks like-minded, slimsy bloke, for good times. Box **101150** £

STAND BY ME Easygoing, quiet Oxford male, 54, 5'10", enjoys the quiet life, countryside, boats, social drinks, walking, seeks nice, mature man for company, friendship & more. Box **113988** £

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Phoenix Picture House, Walton Street, Oxford: Tinker Tailor Soldier Spy, 15, Fri-Tue, Thu 12.45pm, daily 3.30pm, Fri-Mon, Wed-Thu 6.15pm,), Fri, Sun-Mon, Wed-Thu 9pm, Sat, Tue 9.10pm. Jane Eyre, PG, Fri, Sun-Mon, Wed-Thu 12.30, 3.15, 6, 8.45pm, Sat 3.45, 6.20, 9pm, Tue 1, 3.45, 9.15pm. Kids Club: Water Horse, PG, Sat activities 12.45pm, film 1.30pm (adults not accompanying a child/children will not be admitted; under-8s must be accompanied by an adult). Big Scream (for those with babies younger than 1yr): Tinker Tailor Soldier Spy, 15, Wed 11.30am. Box office: 0871 704 2062.

The Theatre, 2 Spring Street, Chipping Norton: Sarah's Key, 12A, Sun 7.30pm. Way of the Morris, 12A, Tue-Wed 7.30pm. Please see Theatre website for the appeal for the Chippy Cinema Reloaded campaign. Box office: 01608 642350 (Mon-Fri 10-6pm, Sat 10-2pm).

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THURSDAY

Copa of Oxford, George Street, Oxford: Paul Canning. Acoustic guitarist performing covers. Everyone welcome. 9.30pm. 01865 246906.

Chequers, The Green, Cassington: Vagablon. Covers duo, performing well-known hits. Free admission. 8.30pm. 01865 882620.

FRIDAY

Elm Tree, Witney Road, Witney: Three-piece covers band - Eleven. Free admission. 9pm. 01993 702311.

Folly Bridge Inn, Abingdon Road, Oxford: Open Night. Oxford Folk Club open night. 8.30pm. 01865 768128.

Muskateer Banbury, Ruscote Avenue, Banbury: Vagablon - duo mixing classic hits from the 60s with today's favourite sounds. 9pm. Free. 01295 269296.

Pepper Pot, Burchester Place, Banbury: Pete McCray, with soul and reggae. Everyone welcome. 9pm. 01295 261790.

Talbot Inn, Oxford Road, Eynsham: Cody. Popular vocal guitarist performing covers from past 60 years. Everyone welcome. Free admission. 9pm. 01865 881348.

The Black Horse, 6 Banbury road, Kidlington: Music from Slink, rock covers band. 10.30pm.

Village hall, off main street, Wytham: Wytham Harvest. A feast of fine music and poetry in a 1920s setting, headlined by Telling The Bees. Recently expanded to a five-strong line-up, their songs range from the soulful and reflective to the driving and danceable; mandolin, concertina, bass and strings combine with haunting lyrics. In support will be local singers and songwriters Joshua Knight and Lewis Newcombe-Jones, poetry provided by Helen Mort and Alan Buckley. Doors 7.30pm, performance 8pm. Bar available. Booking strongly recommended - please call. £10, concs £8. 01865 777891.

White horse, London Road, Headington: Music from singer Ann Marie. 9pm. Free. 01865 762447.

SATURDAY

All Saints Church, Abbey Entrance, Wytham: Moonrakers and Wendlebury Winds. Two hours of varied music from the two bands. Celtic traditional and contemporary songs and tunes from harp, fiddle, bouzouki, guitar, whistles and bodhran, plus a wind quartet.

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Methodist Church, High Street, Witney: Round the World in Eighty Tunes with the Carnival Band - five men, 25 instruments and full vocal harmony, with a musical tour of the world with them. In aid of the church's Old School Appeal. Tickets from the church coffee bar, St Andrew's Bookshop, High Street. £10 (£5 under-19). 01993 702296 and 772496.

Christ Church Cathedral, St Aldates, Oxford: The Dream of Gerontius. A new setting of Newman's great poem for chorus and two actors (featuring Robert Hardy and Neil Nesbit. Vox Angelica provides the a cappella singing to music by Julien Chilcott-Monk. 8pm. £15, £12, £5. 01865 305305.

SUNDAY

Glee Club, Hythe Bridge Street, Oxford: Scott Matthews. 8pm. £12.50. 0871 472 0400.

Holywell Music Room, Holywell Street, Oxford: Coffee concert. Adderbury Ensemble. Rawsthorne Trust Concert. Programme: Rawsthorne String Quartet; Alwyn, Three Winter Poems; Veale, String Quartet. Children aged five-ten years free, no under-fives admitted. £11, concession £10. 11.15-12.15pm. 01865 305305.

New Inn, Corn Street, Witney: Jazz Jam. Jam session, start 8pm, New Inn, Corn Street, Witney. Musicians welcome. 01993 200533.

MONDAY

St Michael at the North Gate, Cornmarket Street, Oxford: Music on Mondays. Free concert. Enjoy superb music in this lovely church. 1pm. Bring sandwiches, free tea and coffee. 01865 240940.

Village Club, High Street, Nettlebed: Patrick Street. Kevin Burk, Andy Irvine, Arty McGlynn and John Carty, four performers from the Irish folk world. Nettlebed Folk Song Club. 8-11pm. £15. Advance tickets available. 01628 636620.

TUESDAY

No listings.

WEDNESDAY

Zeldas Jazz Room, Comrades Club, Newbury Street, Wantage: Jazz (formerly Lains Barn Jazz) with the Laurie Chescoe Reunion Band. £9. Tickets at the door or call. Fish and chip supper, £3.50, order by 8pm. 01993 811678.

Theatre

The Folly Bridge Inn, 38 Abingdon Road, Oxford: Sep 10, Improvised Comedy Sketch show presented by Oxford Comedy Deathmatch, in which the entire show is compiled using suggestions from the audience. £4.

Mill Arts Centre, Spiceball Park, Banbury: Sep 16, Hells Bells (AC/DC tribute band). 8.30pm. £10 in advance, at the door £12. Sep 17, Christine Collister, Dave Kelly and Peter Filleul. £17, early bird £13. 8pm. Sep 18, In The Mood, with Five Star Swing. 8pm. £11, concessions £10. Sep 23 Holmes and Watson - The Farewell Tour. 7.30pm. Box office: 01295 279002.

New Theatre, George Street, Oxford: Sep 16, Jack Whitehall. Sep 17, Sesame Street Live - Elmo Makes Music. 2pm. Sep 19, Puppetry of the Penis 3D). The Australian art of genital origami. 8pm. A non-sexual show featuring full male nudity. £18.50. Sep 22, Colin Fry. 7.30pm. £18.50. Box office: 0844 847 1585/7.

North Wall Arts Centre, South Parade, Oxford: Until Sep 17, Speechless, by Linda Brogan and Polly Teale. Presented by Shared Experience. £14.50-£18.50. Wed-Sat 8pm, Thu 1.30pm, Sat 2.30pm. Sep 21-24, Bang Bang Bang. Stella Feehily wittily goes behind the public face of charities, journalists and NGOs. 8pm. Tickets £14.50-£18.50. Box office: 01865 319450.

Oxford Playhouse, Beaumont Street, Oxford: Sep 16-17, Happy As Larry. A playful dance show, created by Australian choreographer Shaun Parker and his

company. £9.50-£19.50. Fri 8pm, Sat 7.30pm. Post-show talk Fri. Sep 18-Oct 29: Etiquette. Book a table at the Playhouse with a friend and enjoy a 30-minute theatrical experience just for the two of you. You'll be provided with headphones, instructions and props. £5. Sep 19-24, Dr Marigold and Mr Chops. Simon Callow returns to the Playhouse with two one-man plays by Charles Dickens. Presented by Theatre Royal Bath Productions. £12-£27. Mon-Thu and Sat 7.30pm, Fri 8pm, matinees Thu and Sat 2.30pm. Box office: 01865 305305.

Burton Taylor Studio, Gloucester Street, Oxford: Sep 16-17, Tales of Our Father. Fri 5pm, Sat 11am, 2pm. £7, concessions £5. Sep 21-24, Sancho - An Act of Remembrance, by Paterson Joseph. Wed-Sat 7.30pm, Sat 2.30pm. Wed £8, Thu-Sat £10, concessions £8. Box office: 01865 305305.

Pegasus Theatre, Magdalen Road, Oxford: Sep 16-17, The Seagull Effect. Performed by Idle Motion. £12, £8 concessions, £6 under-18s. 8pm. Box office: 01865 812150.

The Theatre, Spring Street, Chipping Norton: Sep 16, All Star comedy night. Compere Tony Vino presents Adam Bloom, Seymour Mace and Wes Zaharuk. £13, concessions £11. 7.45pm. Sep 17, Mr Mark's Children's Concert - Violin. 11am. £7.50. Sep 17, Fascinating Aida. 7.45pm. Sep 22, Keep Anjali Dancing. Box office: 01608 642350.

Waterside Theatre, Exchange Street, Aylesbury: Sep 15, One Night of Elvis. Lee King's tribute to the King. 7.30pm. £22.50. Sep 17, The Drifters. 7.30pm. Sep 18, The Bootleg Beatles. 7.30pm. £26. Box office: 0844 871 7607.

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BANBURY Bulls opened up with a 31-10 victory over Upton-on-Severn, but felt there was plenty of room for improvement.

Centre James Heywood scored Banbury's opening try after a strong run, full back Mike Smith converting.

Poor discipline enabled Upton to kick a penalty and they led 10-7 after their lock sprinted 90 metres to the line for an easy conversion.

Bulls didn't panic and simple passing saw hooker Liam Stratford run in a second try on 20 minutes.

A neat catch-and-drive effort saw No 8 Simon Brand on the scoresheet, Smith converting.

Banbury continued to press in the second half, scoring again when wing Andy Mawle forced his way over.

Bulls made the game safe when wing Jed Boyle set up skipper Eddie Phillips, who converted the try himself.

United reach highest position in 80-year history

Crushing win takes Banbury to new high

■ **Evesham Utd 2**
(Spencer 45+3, Luckett 86)

■ **Banbury Utd 5**
(Walker 5, 53 pen, Williams 12, Green 13, Woodley 65)

THREE goals in the first 13 minutes ended Saturday's game as a contest, as Banbury surged up to second place in the Premier Division table – the highest placing in their 80-year history.

Banbury took the lead in the fifth minute, when Aaron Woodley and Will Green set up Glenn Walker, who side-stepped his marker before curling an unstoppable shot around the stranded keeper Nathan Vaughan.

They doubled their advantage in the 12th minute when Evesham failed to clear Walker's free-kick and Simeon Williams beat two defenders before cracking the ball

home from just inside the penalty area.

Straight from the kick-off, Banbury added a third goal when Woodley beat the offside trap, and side-footed the ball to Green, who tapped home from five yards.

Before half-time Banbury suffered two injuries.

Oxford United scholar Cole Hinchliffe, on his debut, suffered a nasty bang on the head, but carried on, while Green was clattered in first-half injury time, and had to be substituted.

In the third minute of time added on, Banbury captain Ollie Stanbridge gave away a free-kick on the edge of the box.

Although the initial effort was charged down, the ball fell to Kevin Spencer, whose shot took a wicked deflection to wrong-foot Kemp – the first goal he has conceded in six games.

Eight minutes into the second-half, Woodley was brought down in the box

by Josh Quaynor, and Walker hammered home the resultant penalty to make it 4-1.

The game went into meltdown for Evesham, who then conceded a fifth

Woodley sped clear of the chasing pack, and he side-stepped both the keeper and a defender before slotting the ball into the empty net

Unfortunately, he picked up a knock in the process and was substituted immediately, and then the limping Walker was also replaced

Four minutes from the end Evesham pulled another goal back.

A loose ball ran to Steve Luckett, who saw his shot take an even bigger deflection than their first goal, to make the final score 5-2, which flattered the home side.

Banbury Utd: Kemp, Williams, Stanbridge, Thackeray, Hinchliffe, Hitchcox, Youngs, Coleman, Green (Herbert 45), Woodley (Edmond 66), Walker (Kingston 72). Sub not used: Howell.

Attendance: 140.

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ARIES Mar 21-Apr 19
You have got to stop this situation from getting any more out of hand. It is quite simply ridiculous the way that you are both carrying on. It takes a braver man to stand down so come on, do the right thing before a close one starts to think this is the real you that they are seeing. Phone to hear about your finances in detail.

0906 585 4360

TAURUS Apr 20-May 20
You are approaching a very important time in your life and the majority of your bulls are going to be feeling that you can at long last lay down those roots without fear of them being pulled from under your feet. Call my starline to find out how your ruling planet Venus can help you get what you want for keeps this time.

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GEMINI May 21-Jun 20
You finally feel as if you are justified to put your time and heart into the person that has obviously had such a dramatic effect on you. It is all very well saying that you don't care about a work issue that has gone to pot if that were true, but the point is that you still have time to turn events round. Ring me so I can help you.

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CANCER Jun 21-Jul 22
The stars are filling you with solar energy and with the confidence that last week you prayed for but which just seemed to mysteriously evade you time and time again. The funny thing is Cancer is the mention of that person's name from your past no longer seems to be having such an effect on you. Call now to reveal your destiny.

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LEO Jul 23-Aug 22
You must not judge a close one so harshly for the events that have recently taken place in their life. You of all signs should know how it feels to lose control of what you are doing and if you were to look a little closer then you would see that they have handled life very admirably given the circumstances. Ring me now for focus.

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VIRGO Aug 23-Sep 22
You must not think that you have done a bad job of your work, especially after all of the hard work that you have put into your life of late. Each sign has its own style and all you need to do is to find the correct niche for your work my friend. Phone now to hear why Virgos play such a key role in happy events approaching.

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LIBRA Sep 23-Oct 22
Family have been proving hard work of late and you don't seem to be too sure how you can or should handle a difficult close one. Give them some time and distance and you'll soon see it was their own problems they had to deal with and not anything to do with you. Ring me now to hear why career changes are blessed.

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SCORPIO Oct 23-Nov 21
You may think that a loved one is purposely trying to upset you but you are wrong. All they are trying to do is to get to the bottom of your very strange behaviour Scorpio. Where there is a will there is a way so sit down and tell them where the real problems lie. Call now to hear why miracles wait for you this week.

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SAGITTARIUS Nov 22-Dec 21
Come back down to earth my friend, you're so much nicer when you're normal. Why not invite a few familiar faces round to yours and talk about the normal things in life for a change, you may just find yourself having a good time and letting that person on your mind fade into the past. Ring now for focus and direction.

0906 585 4368

CAPRICORN Dec 22-Jan 19
You may have to tell a lie in order to save face in business but that does not mean you need to tell many lies. Why not go for the straightforward approach for a change. Admittedly it has been a while since you have, but just think of how easy it will be to speak without having to lie. Ring now for your love scope.

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AQUARIUS Jan 20-Feb 18
This very dramatic stage you have been experiencing over recent weeks, is coming to an end, and event though you may miss the theatrics, you are sure to find yourself with far more energy in the long run. Call my starline to find out why the most lucrative offers in business this week are not necessarily the best.

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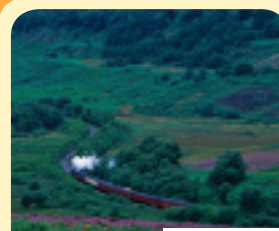
PISCES Feb 19-Mar 20
News of a wedding or engagement brings surprise. Try to plan something special for the weekend so that they know they are still prominent in your heart and thoughts. Gemini's link to naughty offers, which can rock an otherwise stable boat. Call my starline to find out why order and honesty are essential in love today.

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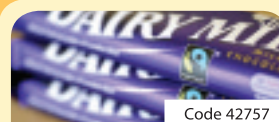
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Set in stone

By Gill Oliver
Property Writer

BUILT from local Horton stone, Holly House is set in landscaped gardens and includes a cinema room, swimming pool and jacuzzi.

The property in Hook Norton includes a kitchen/breakfast/dining/family room, 26ft-drawing room and dining room, all with French doors to the garden.

The three-storey house also has six bedrooms, all with ensuite bathrooms.

There is a double garage with a 19 ft x 19 ft cinema

room above, which agents say could also be used as a studio, bedroom or games room.

Other highlights include a sun terrace, formal lawns and under-floor heating on the ground floor.

Holly House is on the market for £895,000.

For more information, or to arrange a viewing, contact agents Knight Frank on 01865 790077 or visit knightfrank.com

Another property with character is The Granary, once part of a farm in Lyneham, near Chipping Norton.

Restored by local builder Jervis Homes two years ago, the Grade-II listed property

is part of the three-strong development Izods Farm.

The three-storey house includes a kitchen/breakfast room, sitting room, dining room and family room.

The master bedroom has an en-suite shower and there are four more bedrooms and two bathrooms.

Other features include off-road parking, a double garage, store and gardens.

The Granary at Izods Farm is on the market for £750,000.

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Holly House features an attic cinema room, inset.

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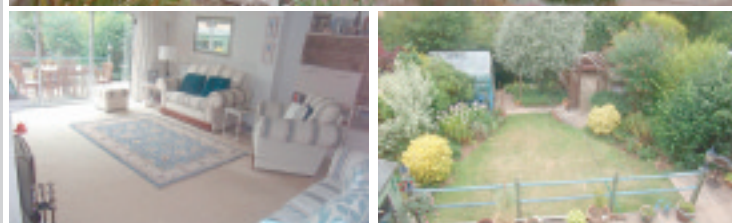
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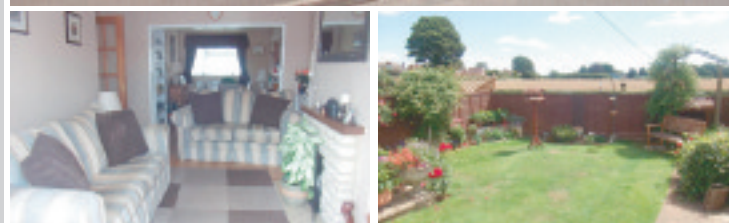
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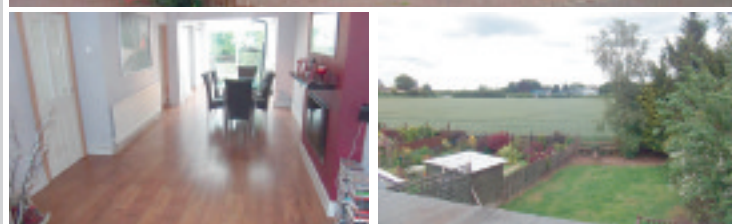
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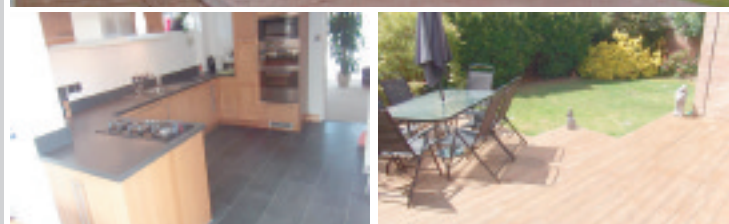
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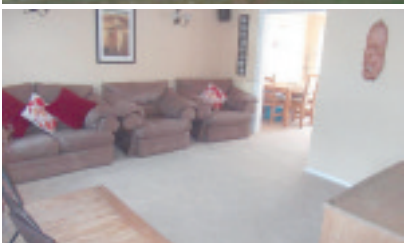
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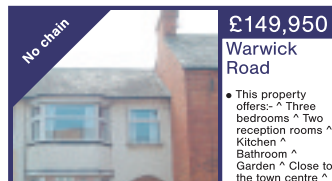
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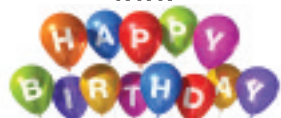


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Riding the range in the Amarok

Yee ha! You can't help it, Volkswagen's Amarok pick-up brings out the cowboy in everybody. It looks rough and tough, but it hides a guilty secret. More of that later, but it is clear that the Argentinian-built Amarok has been designed to cope with everything that can be thrown at it, on- and off-road.

Underpinning its rugged construction is a ladder-frame chassis which gives the vehicle serious off-road credentials. But it is the four-door, double cab's on-road performance which is designed to give it the edge over the opposition.

First, it has car-like refinement with features such as electric windows and air conditioning and excellent fit and finish.

Second, it has a choice of permanent or selectable four-wheel drive. It also has space to seat five adults and if no rear passengers are being carried, the rear bench seat can tip forward to provide additional space.

Power comes from a 2.0-litre, turbo-diesel engine in two outputs, both linked to a six-speed

By David Duffy

manual gearbox. The test car came with the punchier bi-turbo engine, which pumps out 163 horsepower and still manages to deliver more than 35mpg.

The Amarok, a gigantic wolf in the mythology of the Inuit Indians of Canada and Greenland, has been named the inaugural International Pick-up Award by the Van of the Year jury. Pick-up owners have different requirements from car drivers, so for them the critical details include the largest load-space in its class at 2.5 m which can fit a Euro pallet sideways. Its braked trailer weight towing limit is 2,690 kg, its unladen weight varies from 2,051 to 2,106 kg, depending on trim level, and its gross train weight is a whopping 5,500 kg.

Safety features rival those of modern cars with the latest generation electronic stability programme, with hill hold assist and hill descent control, an off-road anti-lock braking system, emergency brake lights function and driver seatbelt warning sig-

nal. Built at the Volkswagen Pacheco plant near Buenos Aires, the Amarok comes in three trim levels and all share an interior that is tangibly car-like.

The dashboard is clear, with easy-to read dials and a multi-function display including a gearshift indicator, and the three-spoke, leather-covered steering wheel has multifunction controls. Despite its rugged looks, and the temptation to wear gaucho headgear while driving, the Amarok is really as easy and comfortable to drive as a saloon.

Auto facts

Model: Volkswagen Amarok
Trendline 4MOTION TDI
Price: £26,440
Insurance group: 8E
Fuel consumption (Combined): 35.8mpg
Top speed: 112mph
Length: 525.4cm/206.8in
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■ A Skoda Octavia vRS has become the fastest 2.0-litre production car in the world after reaching an official 227.070mph at the Bonneville Salt Flats in Utah. That figure, achieved by averaging two runs as the rules require, is a new record, smashing the previous best of 216mph.

■ An impressive list of standard equipment is one of

the highlights of the new Fiat Bravo MyLife. Based on the Active trim, the new Bravo MyLife is powered by Fiat's MultiJet 105bhp diesel engine. Equipment includes 16-in alloy wheels, entertainment and communication system, leather steering wheel with audio controls, ESP stability control, air conditioning, electric front windows and driver, passenger and side airbags. Prices for the Bravo 1.6 16v MultiJet 105 MyLife start from £17,500.


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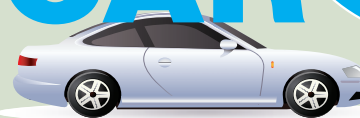
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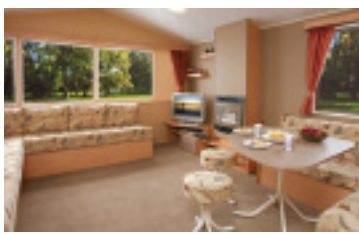
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MERCEDES C200 CLASSIC AUTO

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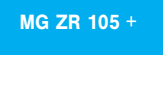
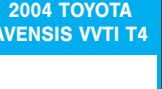
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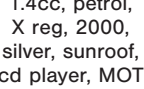
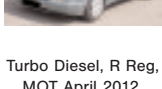
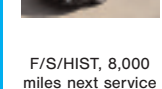
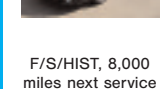
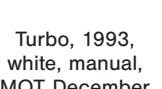
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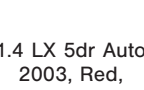
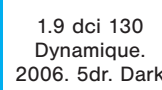
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MOTORS

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MG MG ZR 105 +  03 Plate, silver. 42,000 miles, e/w, c/l, new cam belt, good cond. s/h, tax May 2012, mot Jan 2012 Tel: 01793 821087 £1,495 ono.	Nissan NISSAN MICRA  Blue, 2004, 5dr, 1.2s, only 6400 miles, CD, C/RL, 1 owner, tax, MOT and 12 months breakdown cover, excellent condition. 01225 761772 £4,250	Peugeot PEUGEOT 307  Silver, 2003, 1587cc, Petrol, Air Con, Alloys, CD, C/RL, Tax 4 Months, MOT 3 Months 07939 964500 £2,000	Renault RENAULT CLIO  Silver, 2001, 1390cc, Petrol, AirCon, Alarm, Alloys, C/RL, MOT July 2012, Climate control, power steering, brakes & sunroof. 07581 047862 £1,400	Renault RENAULT ESPACE PRIVILEGE DCI 2.2  Diesel 7 seater MPV, 2005, FSH, recent service & cambelt change, MOT 2012, taxed Oct 2011, multi cd player, all elects & air con, exc cond, reason for sale down sizing Tel: 01793 701130 £3995	Renault RENAULT MEGANE SCENIC  Blue, 2004, 1598cc, Petrol, C/RL, MOT till Aug 2012, taxed till Nov 30th 2011. 07811 212297 £1,750	Toyota 2004 TOYOTA AVENSIS VVTI T4  Semi auto 2.0 petrol estate. 1 owner, 70,262 miles, FSH, well appointed car incl Sat Nav, MOT Feb 2012, tax 2011 Tel: 01793 763159 or 07826 538205 £3600 ono
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Mitsubishi MITSUBISHI SWB HARD TOP  1989, 112000m, Tax/MOT Nov 2011, Some service history, Drives well but needs TLC, Same owner last 10 years 01380 818219 £595	Peugeot PEUGEOT 106 QUIKSILVER  1.4cc, petrol, X reg, 2000, silver, sunroof, cd player, MOT 10/11, tax 11/11, 121,000 miles, body work needs attention Tel: 01793 876323 £500 ono	Peugeot PEUGEOT 806 SVDT 1.9L  Turbo Diesel, R Reg, MOT April 2012, Alloy Wheels, 7 Seater, C/L, Electric Windows/Mirrors, 2 Sunroofs, Genuine Buyers Only 07788 622662 £995	Renault RENAULT CLIO  Blue, 1998, 1390cc, Petrol, C/RL, Sunroof, S Reg, MOT, fair condition for age, selling due to move, Based in Didcot, Oxon 078541 86429 £450	Renault RENAULT GRAND ESPACE  F/S/HIST, 8,000 miles next service Grey, 2007, 1995cc, Diesel, 175BHP, excellent condition, full spec. Must be seen. 01367810633 £8,495	Rover ROVER 218 SD  Turbo, 1993, white, manual, MOT December 2011, low mileage, good condition. 07833 930471 £450
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